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¶11. (SBU) Emboffs met with Emilio Izquierdo, Under Secretary for Multilateral Affairs at the Foreign Ministry, to seek an Ecuadorian reaction to the draft Summit of the Americas declaration, per reftel. Izquierdo said the Government of Ecuador is still reviewing the draft declaration, but said that the initial reaction is positive and Ecuador did not have any concerns.

¶12. (SBU) Izquierdo said that Ecuador is still defining its priorities for the Summit, but he thought that GOE attention would be most focused on environmental issues. He added that he is hopeful that Ecuador would be able to bring additional resources to the Summit, probably for environmental issues, but that too is being discussed within the GOE. (Note: Izquierdo did not specify what type of resources, but we assume he meant financial or project support for certain environmental activities.)

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